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**Incident:**              Holiday Crack Down on Impaired Drivers



The Rockford Police Department made 32 impaired driver arrests during the recent holiday crack down on impaired drivers. Four of those DUI arrests were made during grant funded hirebacks. Along with the impaired driving arrests, 39 Safety Belt, 15 child safety belt violations and 472 other traffic arrests we made.

Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participated in this statewide effort to get impaired drivers off our roadways and encourage safety belt use, especially during late-night hours. Extra emphasis was given to the late-night hours when statistics show the highest number of motorists drink and drive and the fewest buckle up.

Part of the recent law enforcement crackdown was funded by federal traffic safety funds through IDOT's Division of Traffic Safety and is part of the statewide "You Drink & Drive. You Lose" and "Click It or Ticket" campaigns.

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